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For: A READ/WRITE HEAD FOR A MAGNETIC  
TAPE DEVICE HAVING GROOVES FOR  
REDUCING FLOATING

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AMENDMENT A

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In response to the Office Action mailed July 3, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows: